



# SAURASHTRA UNIVERSITY

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### Ph.D. Admission 2026–27 (FIRST ROUND)

1. For the first round of Ph.D. admission in the academic year 2026–27, only students who have qualified in UGC NET (June or December 2025, or June 2026), UGC-CSIR NET, GATE, CEED, or GSET (December 2025) shall be considered eligible for Ph.D. admission. Only such students shall fill out the online registration form for admission in the first round.
2. For Ph.D. admission in the first round of the academic year 2026–27, online registration on the Saurashtra University portal is mandatory. Students who have not registered on the Saurashtra University portal shall not be eligible for Ph.D. admission. Registration on the portal will be open from 15 October 2026 (11:00 a.m.) to 25 October 2026.
3. The processing fee for Ph.D. admission in the first round of the academic year 2026–27 is ₹800 (non-refundable under any circumstances).
4. After the first round, Saurashtra University will conduct the Ph.D. Entrance Test (PET 2026–27) for Ph.D. admission in subjects for which the UGC does not conduct the National Eligibility Test (NET), such as Pharmacy and Physiotherapy, and in subjects in which vacancies remain after the first round. A separate notification in this regard will be issued subsequently.
5. To obtain Ph.D. admission, candidates must have secured at least 55% marks (excluding grace marks) in a postgraduate programme (M.A., M.B.A., M.Com. M.Sc., M.Ed., M.R.S., M.Lib. M.C.A., M.S.W., M.P.Ed., M.P.A., etc.) In the General category. Candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, SEBC (Non-Creamy Layer), persons with disabilities, and the EWS category must have secured at least 50% marks.
6. For admission in the first round of the academic year 2026–27, students must have their original certificates and self-attested copies of the documents listed below verified at the postgraduate department concerned between 26 October 2026 and 29 October 2026 (excluding public holidays), along with a copy of the application submitted through the Saurashtra University online portal. They must also submit five copies of their Research Proposal. Candidates who do not complete verification within the prescribed dates shall not be eligible for admission.
  1. Copy of the application submitted online through the Saurashtra University portal.
  2. Valid Economically Weaker Section (EWS) certificate, where applicable.
  3. Certificate of physical disability (PH), where applicable.
  4. SC/ST caste certificate, where applicable.
  5. OBC caste certificate and Non-Creamy Layer certificate (valid for three financial years, including the financial year in which it was issued), where applicable.
  6. All mark sheets and degree certificates for undergraduate and postgraduate studies.
  7. Certificate of UGC NET (June or December 2025, or June 2026), UGC-CSIR NET, GATE, CEED, or GSET (December 2025).
  8. Copy of Aadhaar card.
  9. Five copies of the Research Proposal.



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7. All candidates who qualified in UGC NET (June or December 2025, or June 2026), UGC-CSIR NET, GATE, CEED, or GSET (December 2025) and have had their required certificates verified must attend the Departmental Research Committee (DRC) proceedings. Candidates who remain absent before the DRC shall not be eligible for admission. The date of the DRC proceedings will be announced subsequently by the postgraduate department concerned.
8. From among candidates qualified for admission in the first round of the academic year 2026–27, candidates will be called before the DRC on the basis of merit in a ratio of 1:6 against vacant seats in each respective category; that is, six candidates of the relevant category for each vacant seat in that category.
9. The final list for Ph.D. admission in the first round of the academic year 2026–27 will be prepared in accordance with UGC regulations, giving 70% weightage to marks obtained in UGC NET (June or December 2025, or June 2026), UGC-CSIR NET, GATE, CEED, or GSET (December 2025), and 30% weightage to the DRC.
10. In respect of any scholarship available to a candidate, if, at the time of the candidate's registration as a research scholar, the institution with which the candidate's research supervisor is affiliated does not possess recognition as required under the rules and regulations governing the relevant scholarship, Saurashtra University shall bear no responsibility in this regard.
11. For the first round of the academic year 2026–27, the provisions of Circular No. PGTR/1/2420078/2024 dated 09 October 2024, as well as instructions issued by Saurashtra University from time to time, shall apply.
12. Applicants must carefully study all instructions and rules before filling out the form. They should apply only if they meet the prescribed eligibility criteria, taking into account their qualifications and the availability of seats in the subject for which they seek admission.
13. If a candidate has obtained Ph.D. admission by submitting false documents, the candidate's admission shall be cancelled at any stage.
14. For any guidance, please write to [phd2026@sauuni.ac.in](mailto:phd2026@sauuni.ac.in).

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Coordinator (Ph.D. Admission Process – 2026–27)